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PARIS PASS USRO AND THURSTON.

DURING CONVERSATION WITH CHANCELLOR ON MARCH 24, I RAISED WITH HIM QUESTION EMERGENCY POWERS AND ALERT MEASURES. CHANCELLOR SAID HE FULLY AWARE IMPORTANCE THIS ISSUE AND WILL SEE THAT SUCH LAWS AS DO NOT REQUIRE TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY BE ENACTED. HE CONSIDERS LEGISLATION REQUIRING CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS UNOBTAINABLE BUT THINKS THERE MAY BE METHOD WHEREBY SACEUR CAN BE GIVEN NECESSARY EMERGENCY AUTHORITY. TO QUESTION OF COORDINATION AMONG VARIOUS INDIVIDUALS AND OFFICES CONCERNED WITH PROBLEM, CHANCELLOR REPLIED DEFENSE COUNCIL UNDER HIS CHAIRMANSHIP LOGICAL PLACE SUCH COORDINATION AND GLOBKE APPROPRIATE CONTACT FUTURE APPROACHES THREE AMBASSADORS.

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